

CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

REPORT NO.

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17th Moto-Mech Division  
212th Artillery Regiment  
Tank regiment  
Artillery division  
3 artillery regiments

Bakuriani: Infantry regiment

Poti: Infantry regiment

Batumi: Infantry division

25X1X 2. [ ] the following officers in the area:

CO, 17th Moto-Mech Division	Major Gen. Galai
CO, 42nd Infantry Regiment	Mukhtarov (a Tartar)
CO, 1st Battalion	Lt. Col. Ilyin
CO, 2nd Battalion	Major Udovin
CO, 3rd Battalion	Major Vasiliyev
CO, 4th Company	1st Lt. Kurilov
CO, 6th Company	1st Lt. Mishin

25X1X [ ] Col. Kachur, whose regiment, the 978th Infantry Regiment of the 261st Infantry Division, is now reported to be at Astara. This officer is a close friend of Col. Kornilenko, who is in the personnel section of the 42nd Infantry Regiment.

3. The headquarters of the 42nd Infantry Regiment is at Kapuli, six kilometers from Tavshan Kishlak. The 5th Company of the 42nd Regiment is stationed at the post of Tavshan Kishlak. This company is not a frontier unit but is assigned to defend a certain area in case of attack.
4. The frontier unit (zastava) in the area is No. 19. Its commander is 1st Lt. Kukushkin, whose headquarters is in Tavshan Kishlak, a village of some 150-200 houses. Lt. Kukushkin is about 34 years old, of middle height, with dark hair, and has a wife and child. The headquarters of the local frontier komendatura is at Agin, also six kilometers from Tavshan Kishlak. The headquarters of the frontier forces (otryad) in the area is at Leninakan.
5. All along the Soviet Armenian frontier there are infantry ditches (field fortifications, skirmishing ditches), 500-2,000 meters inland from the barbed wire barriers. These ditches run along in two rows 200-300 meters apart. At some places they are connected with each other by connecting ditches. The field fortifications are inspected each year, cleaned, and improved. These positions are unoccupied; but, in case of an attack by Turkey, they would be occupied by the units stationed in this region. Plans for occupation and defense to be carried out by these units have been prepared, but the arms are not in position. Units in the area conduct normal training. In case of war, this defense line would be reinforced by other classes proceeding from the rear.
6. The 1926, 1927, and 1928 classes are under arms. Preparation is being made to call the 1929 class to arms in October 1949. Source does not know whether the 1926 class will be demobilized at the same time. The 1925 class of NCOs has not, at present, been demobilized. The 1925 class of enlisted men was demobilized in 1947 except in the Far East, where it is still in service. At the same time, the 1928 class was called to arms. As the 1926 class was called to arms in 1944, the 1925 class has been under arms for about six years. The 1927 class was called in 1944-45.
7. A major's salary is 900 rubles. As a battalion commander, he receives a supplement of 900 more. The rations allowance is 300 rubles, and a battalion commander receives an additional 10 percent.

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8. Attached are the following:

- Attachment I: Components of 17th Moto-Mech Division
- II: Organization of 17th Moto-Mech Division
- III: T/O and T/E of the 17th Moto-Mech Division
- IV: Location of Units of 42nd Infantry Regiment
- V: Components of 261st Infantry Division
- VI: Organization of 261st Infantry Division
- VII: T/O and T/E of 974th Infantry Regiment

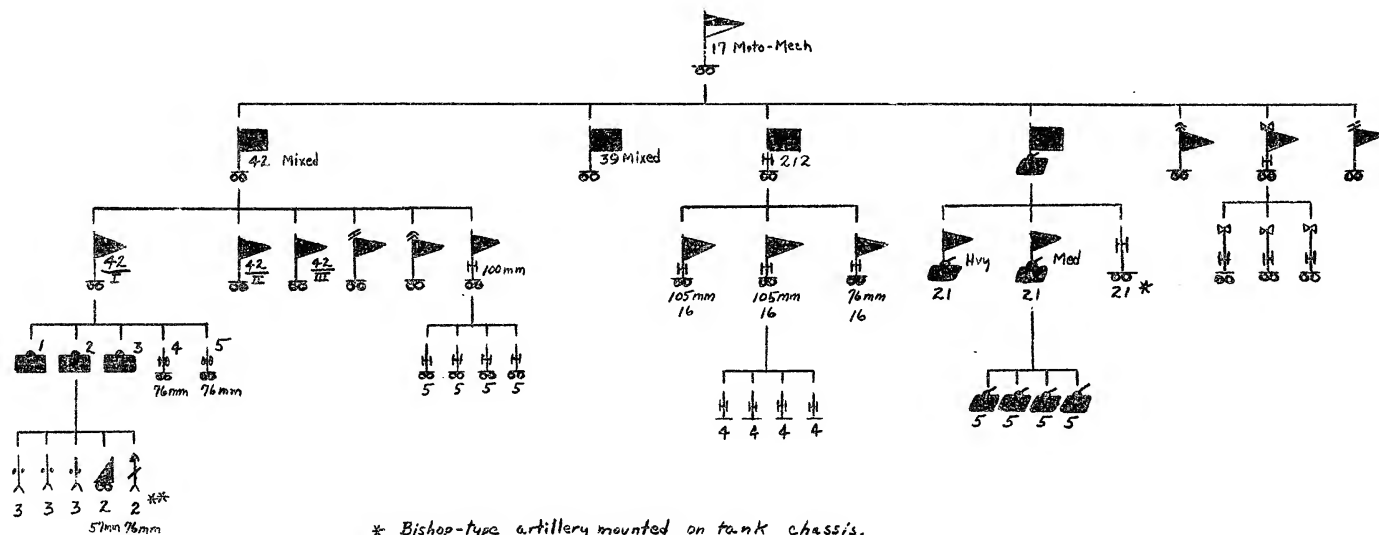
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Comment: Many points of disagreement occur in the attached tables. For example, Attachment I gives the components of the 212th Artillery Regiment as one 76 mm battalion and two 105 mm battalions, composed of four batteries; while Attachment II gives the components as two 76 mm battalions and one 122 mm battalion, composed of three batteries and an observation unit. Again, in Attachment I the tank regiment is shown as being composed of only one heavy and one medium tank battalions, while in Attachment II two heavy battalions are carried. Such discrepancies are so numerous that no effort has been made to correct or to explain them. Also, where this report differs from [redacted] 25X1A [redacted] no explanation can be given. The information is offered merely for what it is worth. The reader's comments on the value and accuracy of this report would be greatly appreciated by the originating office.

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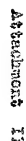
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COMPONENTS OF 17<sup>th</sup> MOTO-MECH DIVISION  
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	Men			Weapons + Equipment																			
	Offi- cers	Sgts + Cpls	EM	Pistols	Binoc- ulars	Auto- matic pistol	Rifles	Lgt. MGs	Hvy MGs	12mm MGs	37mm 4- barrel AA guns	57mm AT guns	76mm guns	122mm field guns	SU-76 armored arty (type Bishop)	SU-100 armored arty (type Bishop)	IS-100 heavy tanks	T-34 medium tanks	Motor- cycles	Passen- ger cars	Haul- ing trucks	Riding horses	Carts
1st Co, 1st Bn, 39th Rgt.	6	16	44	8	1	12	22	3	9	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2	1
Btry, 1st Co, 1st Bn, 39th Rgt.	4	8	28	8	3	4	24	2	-	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	-
Bishop-type Bn, 1st Co, 1st Bn, 39th Rgt.	5	6	15	26	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1st Bn 39th Rgt.	38	68	239	69	9	50	69	16	27	-	-	6	10	-	5	-	-	-	-	1	15	11	4
Bishop-type Bn, 39th Rgt.	8	22	63	63	1	-	-	21	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21	-	-	-	1	1	-	-
39th Rgt.	149	245	856	234	34	175	237	71	81	-	-	18	30	-	15	21	-	-	9	6	56	43	18
42nd Rgt.	149	245	856	234	34	175	237	71	81	-	-	18	30	-	15	21	-	-	9	6	56	43	18
212th Arty Rgt.	51	68	286	99	22	-	276	9	-	-	-	-	36	12	-	-	-	-	-	2	96?	-	-
Div. Tank Rgt.	27	84	273	111	3	-	-	84	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21	42	21	?	2	?	-	-
Div. AA Bn.	16	21	82	55	22	-	27	-	-	9	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	?	1	18?	-	-
17th Div. *	392	663	2353	733	115	350	778	235	162	9	18	36	96	12	30	63	42	21	18	17	226	86	36

\* Division headquarters and division signal and engineer battalions not included in table.

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CORRECTION

On Attachment I7 of the report bearing the above heading, distributed on 20 December 1949, the legend was inadvertently omitted. Kindly add the following:

Fortified position, fieldwork

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Battalion of 212th Artillery Regiment

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Artillery position

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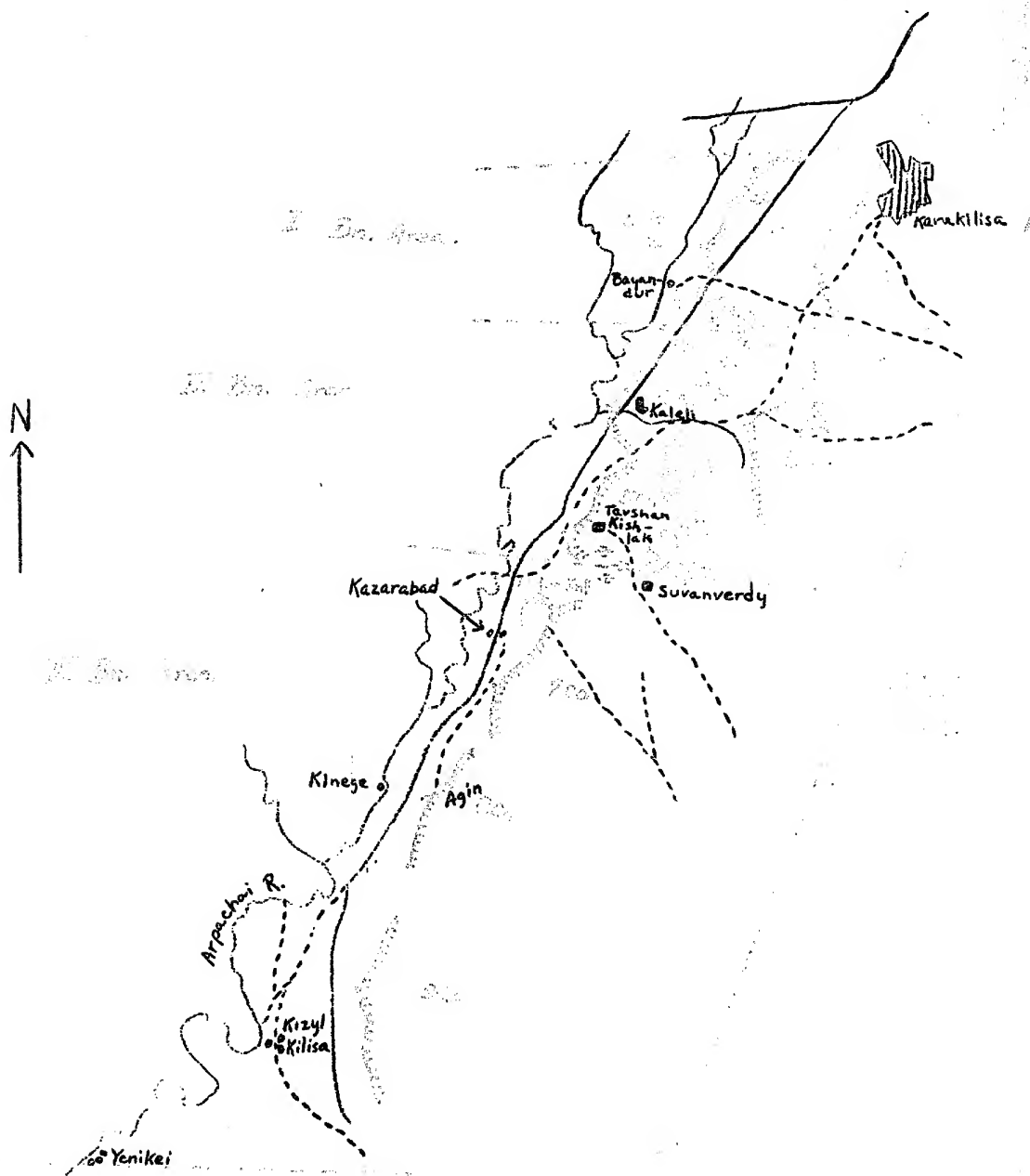
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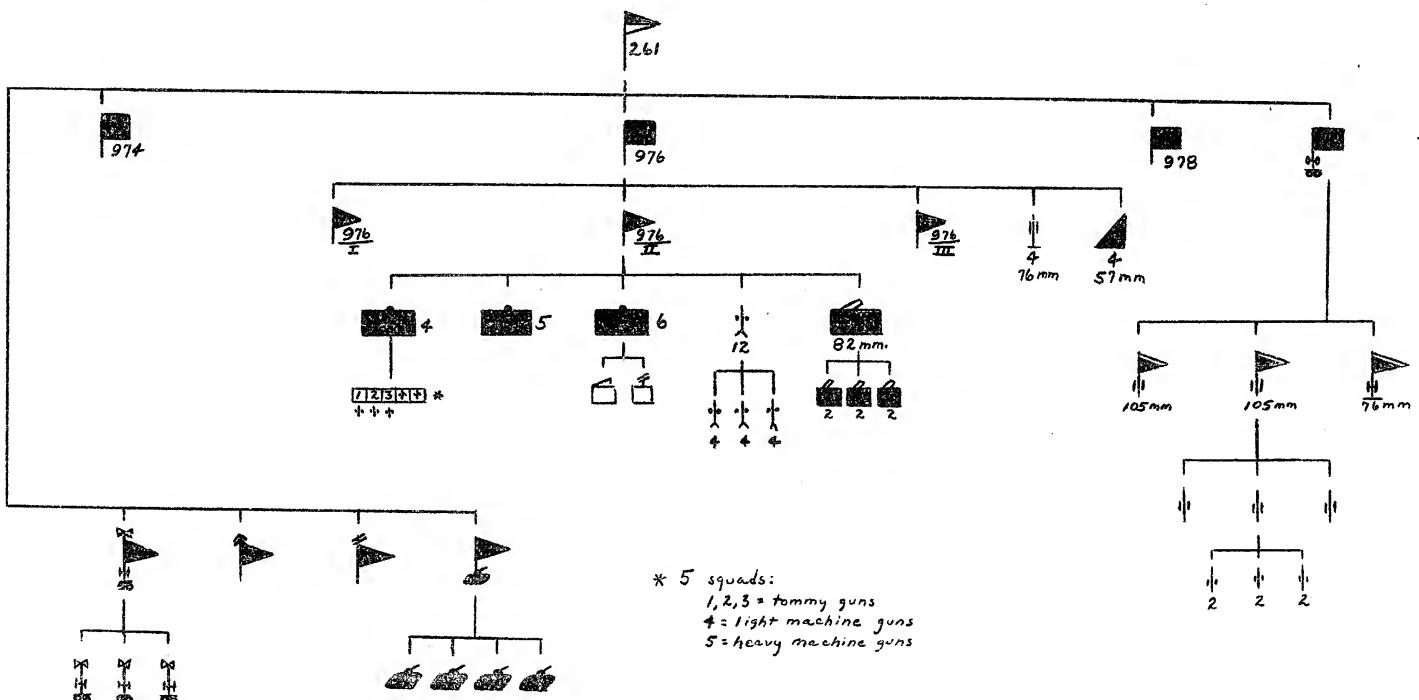
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LOCATION OF UNITS OF 42<sup>nd</sup> REGIMENT  
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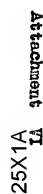


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 Attachment A



	Men			Weapons + Equipment													Transport Equipment					
	Offi- cers	Sgts. + Cpls.	EM	Pistols	Auto- matic pistols	Rifles	Lgt. MGs	Hvy MGs	57mm AT guns	76mm auto- matic (rapid) arty	82mm Inf. mortars	Compass	Binoc- ulars	Inf. picks	Inf. Shovels	2-wheel carts	Horse carts	Riding horses	Draft horses	Passen- ger cars	Haul- ing trucks	Horses for carrying cannon
1 <sup>st</sup> Co. 1 <sup>st</sup> Bn., 974 <sup>th</sup> Rgt., 261 <sup>st</sup> Div.	6	18	132	8	56	25	9	2	-	-	-	24	2	18	132	-	1	-	2	-	-	-
1 <sup>st</sup> Bn., 974 <sup>th</sup> Rgt.	32	78	495	41	177	95	27	18	2	-	6	107	9	76	490	1	8	3	17	-	-	-
974 <sup>th</sup> Rgt.	126	285	1965	167	548	327	83	54	12	4	18	421	42	236	1486	5	36	18	81	1	18	56

T/O + T/E OF 974<sup>th</sup> INFANTRY REGIMENT, COMPONENT  
OF 261<sup>st</sup> INFANTRY DIVISION  
 December 1946 - December 1947